

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-10 (canceled)

Claim 11 (currently amended): An adjustable seat assembly ~~backrest~~ for a vehicle seat, comprising:

an elongate straddle-type a cushion located on the vehicle seat mounted to the vehicle, the seat supporting a first portion of a sliding guide track assembly; and

a body including a backrest, the body slidably mounted atop the seat, the body having an underside that includes a second portion of the sliding guide track assembly, the second portion of the sliding glide track assembly joined with the first portion of the sliding glide track assembly so as to enable adjustment of the body between extreme forward and rearward positions on the seat, and the backrest of the body covering the sliding guide track assembly in at least one position of the body on the seat ~~adjustment means for adjusting the position of the backrest backwards and forwards to various points on the vehicle seat.~~

Claim 12 (currently amended): The adjustable seat assembly ~~backrest~~ of claim 11, wherein the second portion comprises ~~adjustment means comprise:~~

(a) one or more ~~depressed~~ tracks located underneath the backrest, wherein the ~~depressed~~ tracks are at least partially covered by retaining brackets[[:]]

(b) ~~a platform having one or more track guides that are slidably sandwiched between the depressed tracks and the retaining brackets, the platform also having a slot aperture having multiple position points; and~~

(c) ~~a button mechanism coupled to the backrest and activated by the push of the button, the button mechanism having a plunger that cooperates with the slot aperture in the platform, wherein the plunger may be positioned in a particular position point.~~

Claim 13 (currently amended): The adjustable seat assembly ~~backrest~~ of claim 12, wherein the first portion comprises ~~adjustment means further comprise:~~

~~(a) a platform having one or more track guides that are sandwiched between the tracks and the retaining brackets, and the track guides slidably supported within a space created by the tracks and retaining brackets a button mechanism comprising a rod inside a spring with a button at one end and a plunger knob at the other end;~~

~~(b) means for securing the button mechanism to the backrest such that the button is accessible; and~~

~~(c) a generally linear aperture on the platform with a plurality of openings spaced along the linear aperture; wherein the plunger knob prevents movement of the backrest when engaged within an opening, and wherein the plunger knob can be temporarily disengaged from the opening when the button is pushed, and wherein the spring urges the plunger knob into an opening when the button is not pressed and the plunger knob has been positioned over an opening by movement of the backrest along the vehicle seat.~~

Claim 14 (currently amended): The adjustable backrest of claim 11 ~~[[13]]~~, wherein the body backrest comprises one of the backrest, the backrest a cushion portion and an item rack, and the backrest and a storage compartment portion.

Claim 15 (canceled)

Claim 16 (currently amended): The adjustable backrest of claim 11 ~~[[13]]~~, wherein the backrest comprises a crest and surface cushion region such that the backrest may be used as a vehicle seat for an additional rider.

Claim 17-20 (canceled)

Claim 21 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 11, wherein the backrest of the body covers the sliding guide track assembly at all positions of the body on the seat.

Claim 22 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 11, wherein the seat comprises a recess that contains and supports the first portion of the sliding glide track assembly, and wherein the

second portion of the sliding glide track assembly is joined with the first portion of the sliding glide track assembly so as to conform the backrest with the seat.

Claim 23 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 11, wherein the second portion of the sliding glide track assembly is adapted to slide about the first portion of the sliding glide track assembly so as to enable adjustment of the body between the extreme forward and rearward positions on the seat.

Claim 24 (new): The adjustable backrest of claim 11, wherein the second portion of the sliding guide assembly has one or more track guides which are joined with the first portion of the sliding guide track assembly.

Claim 25 (new): The adjustable backrest of claim 24, wherein the first portion of the sliding guide assembly forms one or more spaces partially occupied by the track guides, and wherein the spaces enable the second portion of the sliding guide track assembly to be slid about the first portion of the sliding guide track assembly in adjusting the position of the body with respect to the vehicle seat.

Claim 26 (new): The adjustable backrest of claim 25, wherein the spaces enable the second portion of the sliding guide track assembly to be slid up to about four inches in at least one direction with respect to the first portion of the sliding guide track assembly.

Claim 27 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 25, wherein the track guides are confined within the spaces of the first portion of the sliding glide track assembly.

Claim 28 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 11, wherein the sliding glide track assembly is disposed within the vehicle.

Claim 29 (new): The adjustable bracket of claim 11, wherein the vehicle is a snowmobile.

Claim 30 (new): An adjustable seat assembly backrest for a vehicle seat, comprising:

an elongate straddle-type seat mounted to the vehicle, the seat supporting a first portion of a sliding guide track assembly; and

a backrest body slidably mounted atop the seat, the backrest body having an underside that includes a second portion of the sliding guide track assembly, the second portion of the sliding guide track assembly joined with the first portion of the sliding guide track assembly so as to enable adjustment of the backrest body between extreme forward and rearward positions on the seat, the backrest body operatively coupled to a locking mechanism, and the locking mechanism adapted to enable temporary release of the sliding guide track assembly so as to enable adjustment of the backrest body with respect to the seat.

Claim 31 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 30, wherein the locking mechanism is operatively coupled to a surface of the backrest body which is opposite of a surface of the backrest body in contact with the seat.

Claim 32 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 30, wherein the locking mechanism is operatively coupled to the seat.

Claim 33 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 30, wherein the locking mechanism comprises:

a button mechanism comprising a rod inside a spring, the rod having a button at one end and a peg at the other end; and

a mounting bracket operatively coupled to the seat, the mounting bracket having a slot aperture with a plurality of openings spaced along the slot aperture, wherein each of the plurality of openings are configured for engaging the peg, and wherein the peg is configured for disengagement from any one opening when the button is activated.

Claim 34 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 33, wherein the peg is confined within the slot aperture.

Claim 35 (new): The adjustable seat assembly of claim 33, wherein the slot aperture extends from front to back in relation to the seat.